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(EPFL-1)

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APPLICANTS: Spertini
ASSIGNEE: École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/506,978 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned.
FILING DATE: February 18, 2000 ART UNIT: 1643
FOR: NOVEL BEE VENOM POLYPEPTIDES AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF

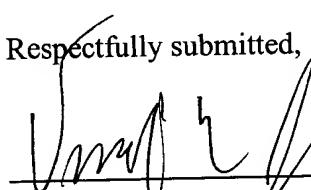
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to respond to the April 19, 2000 Notice to File Missing Parts in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before July 19, 2000. A check in the amount of \$110, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 18519-001. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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